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# Genealogical Queries

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#### Ravlon

I am seeking information concerning Elizabeth Ravlon, who was b. in England May 6, 1863, dau. Manley Ravlon, a Swede, and Catherine Laughlin, Irish. She emigr. to Chicago and then lived for a while in Eau Claire, WI as a dressmaker. She eventually returned to Chicago in order to enter the St. Augustine Home. This is the last we know about her.

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# Sjöberg, Martinsson, Andersson, Wester, Magnusson, Eriksdotter

I am searching for information concerning the following relatives:

- a. Hans Henrik Sjöberg, b. in Strömstad Dec. 9, 1841; emigr. to America ca. 1863.
- b. Axel Ludvig Martinsson, b. in Skee Parish (Göt.) Aug. 7, 1876, who left his family in Strömstad and went to America sometime after 1905.
- c. Joel Andersson, b. in Naverstad Parish (Göt.) June 21, 1863, emig. to America Sept. 2, 1886.
- d. Carl Johan Andersson, b. in Naverstad Jan. 16, 1866; emigr. to America 1883.
- e. Gustaf Alfred Magnusson Wester, b. in Naverstad Oct. 6, 1850; emigr. to America 1884.
- f. Johanna Maria Eriksdotter/Eriksson, b. Jan. 8, 1823, m. to L. Larsson, b. 1828. They lived in Chicago and probably d. there. They had two dau., Selma and Bertha.

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#### Samuelsson

Hanna(h) M(aria) Samuelsson, b. in Hult Parish (Jön.) Mar. 16, 1861, dau. Samuel Johan Bondesson and Anna Karin Sofia Zachrisdotter, departed from Hult for America July 27, 1880, according to the parish exit

lists. The police records in Göteborg divulge that Hanna M. Samuelsson, age 18 (this should be 19), from Hult Parish left for the U.S. Aug. 6, 1880. There is no question as to her identity. Any information as to her subsequent fate in America would be greatly appreciated.

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Bergkvist, Sundqvist

I am looking for help in locating the birthplace of my grandmother, Aline Bergkvist, b. in Sweden April 23, 1894, the dau. of Eric Bergkvist and Anna Sundqvist. The only clue I have is a picture of my grandmother as a young lady, sitting in front of her farm home in Sweden. On the back of the picture is the date Aug. 18, 1910 as well as the name of the photographer — Hjalmar Hallstensson, Malmberget.

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#### Johnson, Nelson

I am desirous of finding information concerning some of my Swedish relatives, Hilmer Johnson and Alida Nelson, who were married in Lodhalmen, Norrby, Vallda Parish (Hall.) Feb. 22, 1887. They had five children, all b. in Sweden — Algot Charles, b. May 8, 1889; John Anshelm, b. in 1895 and Henning, Magnhild and Alfred, birth dates unknown. I don't know if the parents came to the U.S. or only the children. I know that Algot Johnson had children, who must be cousins of my grandfather, Peter Ludvig Larsson, s. of Johannes Larsson and Johanna Lena Andersdotter of Ölmevalla Parish (Hall.).

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#### Ekenstam

My husband's grandfather, John Edward Ekenstam, was naturalized in Adams Co., IL March 15, 1886. I would like to know in which court he declared his intention of becoming a U.S. citizen.

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### Faulkner, Hart

Two sisters of my grandfather emigr. to the U.S. I am attempting to find something concerning their descendants and their present location:

- 1. Hilma Faulkner, b. in Eriksberg Parish (Älvs.). She emigr. in 1890 and settled in Denver, CO. She moved to Los Angeles, CA in 1904 and m. Isaac N. Faulkner. She d. in San Bernardino, CA June 21, 1946 and left one dau. Clara Bradshaw, whose last known address was 1034 95th St., Los Angeles.
- 2. Ulina Hart, her sister, m. Charles Hart. A s. George Hart was b. in Denver, CO in 1884 but moved to San Francisco in 1900 with his parents. For 20 years he was in real estate business in California. He was divorced when he d. Aug. 23, 1960. His last known address was 536 Leavenworth St., San Francisco, CA. He had a sister named Margaret.

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#### Karlström

My father, Carl Gustav Karlström was b. in Stockholm in 1910. About 40 years ago he was a sailor and visited our home when I was just a baby. It has not been possible to find him in Sweden and I reason that he might have settled in the U.S. If anyone can furnish information as to his whereabouts I would be really grateful.

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## Swanbergh

My father, Anders Wilhelm Swanbergh, was b. in Motala May 25, 1883. I have been in contact with *Landsarkivet* in Vadstena but I have been told that there is no record of his birth there. His mother d. when he was 5 years old and his father, a bailiff or sheriff, drowned when he and my father were out in a lake and the boat capsized. I have no idea who raised him. One rumor is that he might have enlisted in the Swedish Navy.

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#### Ekblad

For over two years I have been researching the life and work of the Swedish American painter, Felix Ekblad. This man is an unrecognized 19th century master. All I know about him is that he studied at the Stockholm

Academy of Design in 1870(?) and that he had a studio in Chicago in the 1880s. He exhibited at the Interstate Exposition in Chicago in 1885. Later he joined the art faculty at Indiana State Normal (later Valparaiso University). In the disastrous fire at the University in 1922–1923 all records were lost, including the facts concerning Ekblad.

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#### Kihlén

I am seeking information concerning Gustav Edvin Kihlén, b. in Kila Parish (Värm.) Aug. 13, 1865, and who d. in Boulder, CO May 23, 1945. He emigr. to the U.S. at the age of 22 on May 20, 1887. At first he settled in Georgetown, CT but later moved to Denver, where he worked as a municipal architect.

He was m. and had four children, the oldest, Clarence, b. in 1895. There were also three dau., one m. a bank clerk, one m. a district judge and the third m. a businessman.

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#### Sandberg, Hammerstrom

Anyone researching Sandberg or/and Hammerstrom families is asked to contact me for exchange of information. All postage will be returned and all letters answered.

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#### Håkansson

Carl Håkansson was b. in Farabol, Kyrkhult Parish (Blek.) June 20, 1863, the seventh of eight children, s. Håkan Carlsson and Kerstin Johansdotter. He m. Anna Svensdotter, b. in Urshult Parish (Kron.) March 26, 1866 and their dau. Jenny was b. March 29, 1888. In that year the family emigr. to America. Carl's sister Bengta emigr. 1892 but returned to Sweden. One nephew, Sven Adolf Håkansson (who called himself Svan Adolf Hockanson in the U.S.) emigr 1909 and d. in Berkeley, CA 1979. Carl Håkansson may have lived in Hibbing, MN, Aberdeen, SD and Waubey(?), ND. Svan Adolf told of his living with his uncle in these parts and he had thirteen children. I would appreciate hearing from any of his descendants concerning his lineage, as all of the descendants of his brothers and sisters in Sweden

and his nephew in Berkeley are accounted for.

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#### Nordholm

Seeking information on my grandmother, Sigrid Marie Nordholm, reportedly b. in Ysane Parish (Blek.) Oct. 25, 1885. Her mother's name may have been Elsa. A brother, John Nordholm with wife Olga reportedly lived at Norje village, also in Ysane. Sigrid emigr. to the U.S. in 1904. I would like all the information possible about her family in Sweden. I can provide complete information concerning her descendants in the U.S.

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#### Anderson, Lundin

Referring to my original query, No. 97, which appeared in SAG, Vol. II, No. 2, p. 97, I can now add that I have found the marriage certificate of my grandparents, Nels Anderson Lundin and Augusta Svensson, residing in Estherville, IA. They were m. March 2, 1893 in Emmet Co., Iowa. According to this certificate Nels Anderson Lundin's parents' names were Anders Hansen (Hansson) and Magdalena Johnson. The bride's parents' names were Sven Anderson and Christina Anderson. I am still looking for their respective birthplaces in Sweden.

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#### Johansson, Johnson

Karl Robert Johansson (anglicized to Johnson), b. in Od Parish (Älvs.) Dec. 12, 1870, s. Anders Johan Johansson and Mathilda Augusta Gustafsdotter. He emigr. to America May 10, 1892 and arr. in Rockford, IL, where his brother Ernest Richard Johansson and sister Agda Josefina Elisabeth Johansdotter had arr. in 1889 and 1890 respectively.

Problems arose between the siblings and Karl Robert left Rockford, not to be heard from again until he contacted another sister, Anna Viktoria Johansdotter Pearson, who was residing in Chicago. This was in the late 1930 or early 1940s and the recollection is that Karl Robert was living in Minneapolis or St. Paul at that time. Nothing was ever heard from him again. Any information that can be produced regarding my third cousin would be greatly appreciated.

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